Black-out restrictions in coastal villages.

397. * MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they under the Travancore Defence Rules, have imposed black-out restrictions in respect of areas open to the sea at Cape Comorin; and

(*b*) why such restriction is not made in regard to all coastal villages in South Travancore?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) The attention of the member is invited to Notification No. 329|41/C. S., published on page 1370 of Part I of the Gazette of the 10th June 1941.

(*b*) The matter is under the consideration of Government.

Facilities for tourists and travellers at Munnar.

398. * MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have enquired into the necessity of providing facilities for tourists and travellers at Munnar; and

(*b*) if so, what action they have taken?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) An estimate for Rs. 10,590 for a satrom at Munnar has been sanctioned and the work is awaiting execution.

Confirmation of the P. H. E. staff.

399. * MR. S. GOVINDA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of clerks on Rs. 20-25 grade confirmed since the confirmation of the P. H. E. staff;

(*b*) the total number of acting and temporary hands confirmed, whose aggregate service at the time of their confirmation did not exceed three years;

(*c*) the total number of clerks whose aggregate service exceeds 5 years and who have not been confirmed; and

(*d*) the reasons for not confirming them?

K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: (*a*) 38.

(*b*) 20.

(*c*) 10.

(*d*) They were not qualified for confirmation.

Appointment of Head Constables.

400. * MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the Head Constables appointed by the Inspector-General of Police by way of promotions and by direct recruitment during the period from 1115 to the 15th of Edavom 1116?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: The *statement is laid on the table.

* *Vide* Appendix VIII page 925.

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